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NOTICE REGARDING PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) MODULES PROPOSED REGULATIONS PACKAGE

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a disapproval notice on October 8, 2013 for the proposed regulations package for the Proposed Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Photovoltaic (PV) Modules. The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) listed concerns and comments to be addressed, including some consistency concerns, clarity concerns, and omitting some responses to comments. After careful consideration of all of OAL's concerns, DTSC has decided to withdraw the PV Modules proposed regulations package. DTSC plans to pursue obtaining authorization from the US EPA to implement the federal Universal Waste Regulations in California—a process that was initiated by DTSC in 2003, but was never completed. Upon completion of the application for RCRA Authorization and approval by the US EPA, DTSC intends to reintroduce this rulemaking for Proposed Management Standards for Hazardous Waste PV Modules.